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VIA HAND DELIVERY

David Waddell, Executive Secretary Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37238

Re: Petition of NEXTLINK TENNESSEE LLC for Arbitration of

January 17, 2001

Interconnection with BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

Docket No. 98-00123

Dear Mr. Waddell:

Enclosed are the original and thirteen copies of BellSouth's Responses to the Staff Data Request dated January 11, 2001. Copies of the enclosed are being provided to counsel of record.

Very truly yours,

Guy M. Hicks

GMH:ch Enclosure

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REQUEST: Why has the ordered change not been provided as directed by the Authority?

RESPONSE: Although BellSouth did receive the TRA's August 29, 2000, Order in this docket, neither BellSouth nor NEXTLINK have submitted specific contract language to the other party until recently. BellSouth has recently taken action to negotiate an amendment to the interconnect agreement and has provided NEXTLINK with a proposed amendment for their consideration.

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REQUEST: When will the ordered change be provided?

RESPONSE: Revised contract language was submitted to NEXLINK earlier this month and BellSouth hopes to execute a final amendment in the near future. BellSouth will make every effort to provide copies to the TRA for approval as soon as is practical following execution.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 17, 2001, a copy of the foregoing document was served on the parties of record, via U. S. Mail, postage pre-paid, addressed as follows:

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